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| Applicant(s): ITO et al.      |                                   |
| Application No.: 10/023,475   | Attorney Docket No.: 26DT-004-RCE |
| Filed: December 20, 2001      | Group Art Unit: 3679              |
| Title: HOSE COUPLING ASSEMBLY | Examiner: DUNWOODY, AARON M       |

Sirs,

Applicants request a refund to Deposit Account 50-1147 of the PTO fee of \$180 for the submission of Information Disclosure Statement which was charged to our Deposit Account 50-1147 on December 15, 2003 since the fee was not required for this application.

Copies of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement of December 4, 2003 and our Deposit Account Statement of December 2003 are attached herewith.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,

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Further, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby certifies that each listed reference was first cited in a Communication (copy enclosed) from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Although no fees are believed to be due at this time, it is respectfully requested that any such fees be charged to Deposit Account 50-1147. Also, the Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed references have been considered and made of record.

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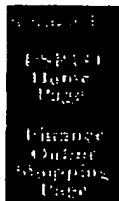
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